

REMARKS

Claims 1-44 are pending and under consideration. No new matter is presented in this Amendment.

REJECTIONS UNDER 35 U.S.C. §101:

Claims 40-44 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §101 because the claimed invention is directed to non-statutory subject matter. The Examiner's rejection appears to be based on a section of the specification that could be interpreted to indicate that a carrier wave is included within the scope of a computer readable medium. The applicants have amended the specification to remove this section. The applicants submit that a computer readable medium, as indicated by the specification as amended and the understanding of a person of ordinary skill in the art, does not include carrier waves. Accordingly, the rejection of the claims should be withdrawn.

CONCLUSION:

There being no further outstanding objections or rejections, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. An early action to that effect is courteously solicited.

Finally, if there are any formal matters remaining after this response, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned to attend to these matters.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 503333.

Respectfully submitted,

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